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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary to the calculation of fees and examination of the above application being transmitted herewith, please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 24-38, 40, 41, 43, 44, 46, 48-64, 66-70, 72, 73, and 75 without prejudice to re-addition of these claims in this or another patent application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-23, 39, 42, 45, 47, 65, 71, and 74 are presently pending in this application. Claims 24-38, 40, 41, 43, 44, 46, 48-64, 66-70, 72, 73, and 75 have been canceled. Claims 1, 8, 23, 39, 42, 45, 47, 65, 71, and 74 are independent claims. The above amendments are made merely to reduce the filing fee. No new matter has been added by these amendments, and early examination is respectfully requested.

An early and favorable office action on the merits is requested at the earliest possible time.

Respectfully submitted,

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